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It is respectfully submitted that this filing is made during one of the periods described in 37 CFR § 1.97(c); in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.97(c)(2), the fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(p) is enclosed herewith.

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It is respectfully requested that the listed references and documents be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be entered in the application file and returned to Applicant with the next communication from the office in accordance with MPEP §609.

Section 2. FORM 1449

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